

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Prioul et al.

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Title : A DEVICE FOR CLOSING A NECK OF A RECEPTACLE, AND A  
RECEPTACLE PROVIDED WITH SUCH A DEVICE

GRP./A.U.:

Examiner :

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Honorable Commissioner of Patents

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Please amend the claims of the above referenced application  
as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims  
which begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.